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SATURDAY, OCTOBER 20, 1906.

Newark Tax Bills.

The city of Newark tax bills are in the hands of taxpayers, and as was anticipated, there are a large number of appeals to the County Tax Board. It is estimated that it will take until near the end of December for the board to dispose of the Newark appeals. In most cases the complaint was on account of increased valuations, but whether there was an increase in the total bill over last year or not, there seemed to be the same objection. Even those who confessed that their taxes upon the \$1.74 rate would be lower with the new valuations than they were under the old system at the \$2.26 rate, objected, because, they said, the low rate would be only temporary, while the high valuations would remain the same. "Next year," they said, "the rate will rise, but we will never be able to get the valuations down."

While the valuations are, as a rule, much higher than a year ago, few authenticated cases of assessments beyond the market value are known, and these seem to be errors which can be easily corrected by the County Board of Equalization, to whom appeals can be made. The difference between the old rate and the new is 52 points, and, according to arithmetic, an increase in valuations of 30 per cent. would still leave the total tax the same as last year. Few centrally located properties have been raised more than that, although many touch nearly the figure. The great increases have been in smaller properties in outside districts. In these the valuations have often been doubled, and while the figure is still somewhat below the prices at which the owners hold the property, the fact that they will have to pay a considerable sum more than they paid paid last year arouses their ire, and when they are told that the rate this year is probably as low as they are likely to see in the future, they grow warmer still in their objections.

The Ice Question.

Owing to the high price of ice during the past summer in this town, and in fact in every town and city in the State, the people have become aroused to the necessity of protecting themselves against the greedy ice companies. Meetings of citizens in various places have been held to discuss the propriety of erecting independent plants for the manufacture of ice by artificial means, and it is now announced that the first one of its kind will be erected by the residents of Kearny, Harrison and East Newark, and the name of the concern will be the Business Men's Hygeia Ice Company of West Hudson. A contract has been signed with John Day for the erection of the plant, which will be located on Passaic and Lincoln avenues, Kearny. The capacity of the plant will be sixty tons of ice per day. The building is to be of reinforced steel, concrete and brick.

And now several residents of the Oranges have become interested in the organization of a co-operative ice company. It is proposed to lease stock at \$25 per share, both common and preferred, each bearing six per cent. interest. All the employees of the company will be stockholders. The intention is to build an ice plant in a desirable location, with the most improved machinery and to sell ice at a lower rate than it has been sold at lately. Charles MacLean of Lindeney avenue, West Orange, who was for fourteen years with the Orange Distilled Water Ice Company, is actively interested in the scheme; as are also Fred J. Bomerman, Ernest L. Van Buskirk and Arnold Campbell.

W. C. T. U.

The W. C. T. U. at its session Monday afternoon voted to declare war on what they termed the objectionable and unwholesome theatrical posters which of late have been prominently displayed in various sections of the town. With the view of putting an end to a further display of these posters a communication will be sent to Mayor Fisher and members of the Town Council requesting that an ordinance be passed defining the kind of advertisements which shall be displayed on billboards and asking further that the distribution of objectionable literature shall be stopped.

It was also decided to place boxes in the railroad station, firehouses and other public places, and that they shall contain temperance literature. The union adopted the resolutions passed at the State convention held in Camden, endorsing the "bishops' law." At the next meeting in November various sub-committees will be named.

The Turner Picture Exhibit.

The half hour of entertainment by pupils from the grammar grades of the Berkeley and Fairview Schools on Thursday evening and by the pupils from the grammar grades of the Brookside, Brookdale and Watessing Schools on Friday evening was thoroughly enjoyed by those attending the exhibit. There have been good audiences each evening and the pictures have been enjoyed by a large number of people. The room will be open all day Saturday and the exhibit will open at 8 o'clock with an entertainment by the pupils from the grammar grades of the Center School.

The following notices come from cities where the pictures have been on exhibition:

The collection of photographs and photogravures of famous paintings now on exhibition in the High School is considered the finest ever presented in St. Louis.—St. Louis Post Dispatch.

During the week about 25,000 citizens and school children have been in attendance at the exhibition of pictures. The entire fund received through the sale of tickets comes back into the schools in the purchase of pictures, and the philanthropic citizen could not better perpetuate the good will and interest in the education of the children than by helping this movement in schoolroom decoration, which is engaging the attention of many earnest people in other cities.—Detroit Free Press.

Without a doubt one of the finest art exhibitions ever presented in this country is to be given in the art gallery of the Rhode Island School of Design during the coming week. An opening reception was given last evening, to which all persons holding season tickets were admitted and very many people throughout the city who are especially interested in art took advantage of the opportunity to enjoy a quiet inspection of this admirable exhibition. Those who visited the gallery last evening were struck with the beauty and artistic merit of the scene presented. Expressions of admiration were heard on all sides and all departed with a high sense of education and pleasure, which could only have been imparted to them by the purest merit in what they had seen. All the pictures are reproduced directly from originals by the most scientific and modern methods of reproduction. They are all illustrative of objects of world-wide interest and of great educational value, and especially suitable for schoolroom decoration.—Providence Sunday Telegram.

Church Notes.

The twelfth anniversary of the Church of the Sacred Heart will be celebrated to-morrow with appropriate solemnities. At 10:30 A. M. there will be a solemn high mass, at which the Right Rev. Bishop John J. O'Connor will be present. The sermon will be preached by Rev. Father Wall of New York. In the evening at 7:30 o'clock there will be solemn vespers, and the sermon will be preached by Rev. Father Koyas of Chatham.

The paragon committee of the Watessing M. E. Church takes pleasure in announcing that on Monday, October 22, at 8 P. M., Rev. Dr. Winfield C. Snodgrass will deliver his celebrated lecture, "Impressions of England," in the church, corner of Dodd and Lawrence streets. Dedication services of the new paragon of the Watessing M. E. Church will take place on Sunday and Monday, October 28 and 29.

In the Park M. E. Church Dr. Jesse L. Harbut will preach to-morrow morning the second in a series of monthly sermons to Bible students on "The Old Testament Church—Its Period of Pilgrimage." In the evening on "The Spirit-filled Life."

Services at the Watessing M. E. Church to-morrow will be as follows: Preaching by the pastor, 10:30 A. M. Subject: "The Church at Ephesus." Also six minutes sermon to children, Sunday school, 2:30 P. M. Epworth League, 6:45 P. M. At 7:30 P. M. the pastor will relate the story of Gypsy Smith. On Monday evening Dr. Snodgrass will deliver his great lecture on "My Impressions of England." Every body's welcome.

Rev. Samuel Greene, D. D., of Seattle, Wash., who has been attending the meeting of the American Board at Williamstown, Mass., is the guest of his sister, Mrs. Samuel Ward Boardman, of Washington place.

Rev. W. W. Connor, pastor of the Reformed Church of Belvidere, will preach at Montgomery Chapel Sunday evening at 8 o'clock.

Baraca Class Banquet.

The Baraca Bible Class of the First Baptist Church held its annual banquet in the church parlors Thursday night.

Covers were laid for twenty-five. Rev. Frederick W. Buis acted as toastmaster, and addresses were made by Rev. Chas. A. Cook and Frank Foster of Forest Hill. These officers were elected: President, E. D. Collins; vice-president, Wallace Cadmus; secretary, Joseph Maxwell, Jr.; treasurer, Herman Elshorn; chairman social committee, Frederick Heidel.

Truant Children.

Philomena Lawrence Shorter, who has been acting as a truant officer since Friday of last week, has rounded in a number of youths, a majority of whom promised to go to school rather than have other punishment meted out to them. Shorter was named by the police committee at the regular meeting of the Board of Education.

Visitors of this town will be given an opportunity to meet the Republican candidates at a meeting in Essex County Building and Loan Hall, Thursday evening, October 25th, at eight o'clock. There will be good speakers present and everybody will be welcome.—Adv.

Municipal Ownership.

Reports received at political headquarters in New York indicate that Bryan's declaration in favor of government ownership has suggested to politicians in many States that a municipal ownership platform would attract voters, and in consequence, in many communities, unscrupulous politicians are advocating it in the hope of catching the popular vote and of making themselves a power in office if elected. They care nothing for the dangers to the municipality; they ignore the fact that many cities which have acquired their own plants for furnishing public utilities are eager to be rid of them, and that in many cities and towns they have been an utter and costly failure.

They find, however, that the cry for municipal ownership is most valuable to them, for it can be presented in such an attractive manner that it gains the support of thoughtless voters who will not realize what they have done in supporting it and its advocates until they are called upon, as taxpayers, to pay heavily for their folly.

The Columbus, Ohio, municipal lighting plant has already eaten up a fortune and proved a failure. An original investment of \$63,000 has had to be increased to half a million, and now the plant greedily requires \$140,000 more, for which the city councilmen are afraid to ask the citizens. As it is, the city is now paying private companies \$200 a night to light streets which the municipal plant cannot light.

La Porte, Indiana, which acquired a municipal water plant, has defaulted on the payment of its bonds and interest since 1904, and suit has been commenced asking that the property be sold and a receiver appointed.

The citizens of Seattle last month, after a careful investigation of municipal ownership plants, voted against the city acquiring its own street railway.

Boston, Chicago, Omaha, Muncie and Marion, Ind., Richmond, Va., Wheeling, West Va., and many other cities have all had experience with municipal ownership, which they regret, and which cost them heavily.

Mr. Dauryple, the Scottish expert on municipal ownership, after an examination of conditions here, declared that municipal ownership could not be made a success in this country because of the dominant political conditions.

Experts recently reported at a convention of illuminating companies that "at this moment municipal ownership in this country is a mere political expedient."

Other experts who have made investigations for cities contemplating the purchase of private plants and converting them into municipal plants, declare that in numerous instances of municipal ownership appointments to the public service are made on a basis of political favoritism, with no adequate regard for the efficiency of the employees; that the administrative bodies are honeycombed with graft in the purchase of supplies, and that the public funds are not guarded with the same sense of economy as the funds of a private corporation.

Realty Notes.

Charles W. Martin will build a new house on the west side of Race street, east of Franklin street.

The Philip N. Jackson farm in Brookdale has been leased, and will be improved.

J. Waldren has broken ground for a new house on the Mulligan property in Walnut street.

Hubert J. Ashley is building two new houses in Race and West streets.

The building formerly used by the Metal Lubricating Company, corner of Beach and Spruce streets, has been moved to E. H. King's property in Race street, and will be used for manufacturing purposes.

Joseph A. Dodd has disposed of his new house at 101 Essex avenue to a New York man. Mr. Dodd will build again.

Ground has been broken for a new house for Charles Fredericks in Morton street.

Jacob Sanok is erecting a new house in Liberty street.

Steinert-Mortimer.

Miss Ida B. Mortimer, daughter of Thomas Mortimer, and Augustus Steinert, both of this town, were married at the home of the bride's father in Spring street, Wednesday afternoon by Rev. George L. Curtis, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church. The bride was attired in a traveling gown of steel-gray cloth and carried a bouquet of roses.

George T. Mortimer, a brother of the bride, was best man, and Miss Freda Schneider the bridesmaid. She wore a gown of steel-gray cloth and carried a bouquet of lilies of the valley.

Wedding Anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Leysen of 235 Franklin street celebrated the twentieth anniversary of their wedding at their home on Monday night with a reception.

The parlors were decorated with autumn foliage and ferns. Relatives and friends from New York, Jersey City, Montclair and Glen Ridge were present. Davis of Orange served the supper.

Art Exhibit.

Miss Grace Hanna will exhibit hand-painted suggestive samples for holiday gifts, and also have on sale place cards, candle shades, photograph frames, small pictures and novelties at the home of Mrs. James P. Jones, 31 Elm street, October 20, from three o'clock to six o'clock in the afternoon, and from seven to ten o'clock in the evening.



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LEE FAIRCHILD,
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EDWARD SCHOEN,

Vice-President of Newark Board of Education.

Short Addresses will be Made by the Candidates.

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